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- 1. EMBASSY REVIEWED POINTS CONTAINED REFTELS WITH MFA ACTION OFFICER FOR ILO AFFAIRS, BERTELING. APPARENTLY GON AMBASSADOR IN GENEVA EXERCISES CONSIDERABLE LATITUDE IN KIL MATTERS, AND WOULD BE ABLE TO MODIFY GON ADHERENCE TO EC 9 RESTRUCTURING PROPOSAL IF ONE OR MORE EC 9 MEMBERS WERE SO INCLINED. NETH DEL IN GENEVA REPORTS NONE OF EC 9 FAVOR US COMPROMISE.
- 2. MFA SEEMS TO SUPPORT EC 9 PROPOSAL ON ITS OWN MERITS AS WELL. GON MISSION IN GENEVA CALCULATES THAT IMEC RELATIVE POWER WOULD NOT, REPEAT NOT BE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED BY GV ENLARGEMENT UNDER EC 9 FORMULA. NETHER DOES MFA DORESEE CREATION OF SUB-REGIONS IN EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE GROUPS A CONSEQUENCE OF POSSIBLE FORMATION OF EAST EUROPEAN REGION. FINALLY, AND PERHAPS THIS IS THE MOST TELLING OF MFA CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING STRUCTURAL REFORM OF ILO GOVERNING CONFIDENTIAL

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BODY, GON COULD NEVER BE A MEMBER OF GB UNDER PRESENT STURCTURE; UNDER EC 9 PLAN, GON WOULD BECOME MEMBER ON ROTATIONAL BASIS WITH CHANCE FOR GREATER INFLUENCE. MCCLOSKEY

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